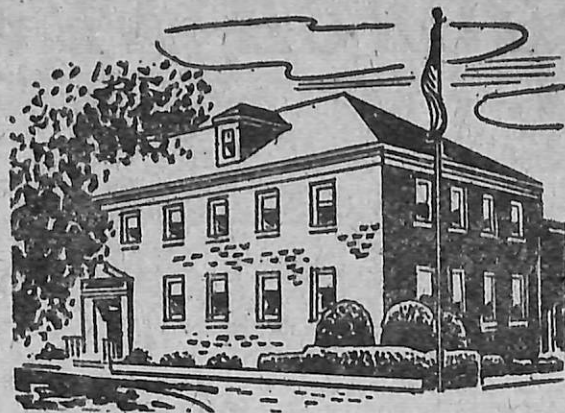


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THE PLIGHT OF A MINOR LEAGUE HOCKEY PLAYER

Bill Sweeney has finished in the top ten scorers in all five years in Minor League hockey, yet the NHL "bird dogs" fail to show any interest.

By BUCKY O'BRIEN



When Bill Sweeney broke into professional hockey five years ago with the Providence Reds, of the American Hockey League, he was tabbed as a can't miss to make the NHL. Bill scored 31 goals and 46 assists that year to earn himself the Dudley "Red" Garrett Trophy as the Rookie of the Year in the AHL.

He was only 20 years old at the time so it was generally agreed by the New York Rangers, who owned his contract, that he needed another year of minor league experience to mature into a big leaguer. The following year the Rangers severed relations with Providence and switched their working agreement to Buffalo. Billy scored 31 goals and 44 assists to lead the Bisons to the regular season championship.

That summer the Rangers went on an 18 game European exhibition swing and they took Sweeney with them. Sweeney showed his appreciation by scoring 12 goals. But the following fall, when the Rangers went to training camp, Sweeney was not exposed to much "ice time" and soon was back in the

minors with Springfield.

When he got to Springfield all he did was score 96 points to win a first place berth on the All-Star team and lead the Indians to the AHL Championship and the Calder-Cup play-offs.

During the course of that season he was called up to the Rangers for a four game "look see" basis. He managed to bag one goal despite the fact that he saw very little "ice time."

Then last year he won the AHL scoring championship with 108 points to establish a new Springfield club record. Once again he led his mates to the championship and the Calder Cup.

So why doesn't he get a shot at the NHL where the big dough is? Sweeney has been asking himself this question for the past five years and still can't find the answer and neither can anyone else affiliated with the AHL.

Sweeney himself is not bitter over his failure to get a shot at the big top. At least he doesn't say so. "I am only 25 years old and may get a break some day," says

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Oberheim Appointed MS Drive Director

To Cover All Of Hampden, Franklin And Hampshire Counties

Mr. Lester M. Oberheim of Merrill Drive, a long-time Agawam civic and community leader has accepted the post of executive campaign director for this year's Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Valley Chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Heading all of Hampden, Franklin and Hampshire Counties, he will also direct and manage the house-to-house canvassing, be responsible for setting up various teams which will work in the merchant and industrial program. House-to-house collecting will take place March 18 through 24th.

Active In Drives

Oberheim is past president of the Agawam Lions Club and was general chairman of the Peanut Bowl Committee when this town sent its football team to Columbus, Ga. He was instrumental in raising several thousand dollars to finance the trip.

He has headed up study groups appointed by the Board of Selectmen to make a study of the recreational needs of young people in this area. He is Agawam's first commissioner of the Playground Commission and a leader in the drive to organize a community YMCA.

Sub-committee leaders will be announced at a later date.



LESTER M. OBERHEIM

multiple Sclerosis Society drive as announced by Mrs. Violet Moore, chairman of the Pioneer

Promenaders To Entertain F.H. Women's Club

The Feeding Hills Community Women's Club will hold their March meeting on Wednesday, the 7th at Granger School at 8 p.m. The business session will be conducted by Mrs. Bernard J. O'Reilly, president.

Mrs. Edwin Johnson, program chairman, will introduce Mr. Louis Draghetti, president of the Agawam Promenaders, who will present a program of square dancing with the assistance of members of his group who will demonstrate the dances.

A social hour will follow the program with refreshments in charge of Mrs. Ernest Swanson, chairman, Mrs. Justin Hyland, Mrs. Stanley Fuller, Mrs. Harry Prior and Mrs. John Cesan.

Fashion Show -- Bridge Tuesday

The Misses Susan Littlefield, Candy Warren, Nancy Toussaint, Judith Decker, Barbara Bishop and Patricia Dupont, members of the senior group of the Youth Pilgrim Fellowship of the Agawam Congregational Church will assist in serving refreshments at the Agawam Junior Women's Club dessert bridge and fashion show. The affair will

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Corcoran To Address Democratic Women



REP. JAMES C. CORCORAN

The Agawam Democratic Women's Club will hold their March dinner meeting at the Silver Star Restaurant at 7 p.m. on Tuesday. Following dinner Mrs. Julie Landers, president, will conduct the business meeting.

Guest speaker for the evening will be Representative James C. Corcoran of West Springfield, with a question and answer session to follow.

Mrs. Marcel Bedard will be hostess for the evening.

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PEABODY'S CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION BILL FAVORABLE

Endicott Peabody, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor, today hailed the action of the Constitutional Law Committee of the Legislature in favorably reporting out his limited Constitutional Convention Bill as "the first major step forward toward eliminating corruption in Massachusetts through reforming the structure of Government."

"The Peabody Plan to Smash Corruption and strengthen the Government — including Limited Constitutional Convention Bill is designed not so much to detect and punish corruption after it takes place but rather to prevent violations of the law in the first place,"

Peabody said.

"I am delighted that the Constitutional Law Committee reported the Peabody bill as the best for the Commonwealth. If constitutional reform is made a reality we will have proper lines of responsibility."

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46 Spfld. Hospital Freshmen Capped

The 46 members of the freshman class of The Springfield Hospital School of Nursing were capped during exercises held Wednesday, February 28, at 8:00 p.m. in the John J. Duggan Junior High School in Springfield.

The traditional ceremony included the awarding of black bands to members of the senior class, who will graduate in September.

The capping of the freshmen signifies the completion of a six-month preliminary period devoted largely to orientation and academic activity, and to the early development of skills. Their program now will place emphasis on clinical practice and the responsibility of the nursing profession.

Members of the senior class capped the freshmen. The awarding of the black bands to the seniors was by Miss Jeanne S. Murphy, Director of the Division of Nursing;

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CHURCH NEWS

Baptist Church

Rev. Benjamin T. Lockhart, Pastor
Rev. Dorothy Pease, Minister of Education
Mrs. Frank Merchant, Organist and Choir Director
Mrs. Barbara Briggs, Church Secretary

Thursday—6:30 p.m., Choralier Choir will rehearse at church; 7:30 p.m., Senior Choir will rehearse at church.

Saturday—3:30 p.m., Junior Bell Ringers will rehearse at church.

Sunday—9 and 11:10 a.m., Two Morning Worship Services: Rev. Benjamin Lockhart will preach at both morning worship services. Senior Choir will sing at first service and the Celestial Choir will sing at second service. Communion will be served at both services. 9:30 and 10 a.m., Church School for all; 4 p.m., the School of Missions will hold its second session. The theme for the school this year is "A Look at Latin America". Supper will be served by the Ella Bond Circle.

Monday—6:50 a.m., Men's Christian Growth Group will meet at church. Leonard Manhart will be host.

Tuesday—7 p.m., Celestial Choir will rehearse at church.

Wednesday—3 p.m., Melody Choir will rehearse at church; 6:30 p.m., ABC Bell Ringers will rehearse at church; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Trading Post will be open; 7:30 p.m., Special Lenten Meetings will begin.

Congregational Church

Rev. Herbert F. Loomis, Interim Minister
Mrs. Andrew G. Toussaint, Minister of Music

Friday—7:30 p.m., Adult Choir Rehearsal; 8 p.m., Merriweds Square Dance at Parish House.

Saturday—8:45 a.m., Intermediate Choir Rehearsal; 9:45 a.m., Junior Choir Rehearsal.

Sunday—9 a.m., Church School Nursery-Grade 6; 10 a.m., Church School Grades 7-12; 11 a.m., Church School Nursery-Grade 6; 9 and 11 a.m., the Church at Morning Worship. The Lord's Supper. New members will be received into the church. Communion meditation, "A Religion of One's Own." 6 p.m., Junior Pilgrim Fellowship; 7 p.m., Senior Pilgrim Fellowship; 7:30 p.m., Young Adult Federation of Agawam meets at Baptist Church.

Monday—7:30 p.m., Board of Deacons meet in Church Library.

Tuesday—6:30 p.m., Senior High Choir Rehearsal.

Wednesday—8 p.m., Missionary Committee meet Church Library.

Thursday—12 noon, Ladies Aid Luncheon. Second Mile Dedication. 7:30 p.m., Full Board meeting of Religious Education Committee in Church Library.

Bible Baptist Church

Upper Church and Second Streets
West Springfield, Massachusetts
Rev. Charles P. Benedict, Pastor

Sunday Services: 9:45 a.m. Bible School with classes for all ages. 11:00 a.m., Morning Worship; 7:00 p.m., Evening Service.

Wednesday: 7:30 p.m., Mid-week service for prayer and Bible Study.

Bible Baptist Church is in sympathy with the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches and with the American and International Councils of Christian Churches.

Bible Baptist Church is a Bible-entered, gospel preaching church which endeavors to preach the "whole counsel of God."

St. David's Church

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

Thursday—9 a.m., Holy Communion, Feast of St. David; 3 p.m., Confirmation instruction, children; 7:30 p.m., Evening Prayer and sermon, Patronal Festival.

Friday—3:15 p.m., Junior choir practice; 7:30 p.m., Confirmation instruction, adults.

Saturday—10 a.m., God and Country instruction, Boy Scouts.

Sunday—8 a.m., Holy Communion; 10 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Vespers, Youth Fellowship.

Tuesday—3:30 p.m., Girl Scouts meet in parish hall; 6 p.m., Parish Shrove-Tuesday ingathering.

Ash Wednesday—5 a.m., Holy Communion; 9 a.m., Holy Communion; 7:30 p.m., Litany and Penitential office.

St. David's Day Observed At Local Church

On Thursday evening, March 1st, at 7:30 p.m., members of St. David's Parish will observe, with a Patronal Festival, the Feast day of their Patron Saint, Saint David of Wales. The preacher for this service will be the Rev. A. Raymond Smith, Priest in charge, St. Andrew's Church, North Grafton. The subject of the sermon will be, St. David—His Mission in Life.

Cannon Smith—Diocesan Representative

The Very Rev. Rush W. D. Smith, Assistant to the Bishop, will be an officiant in the service and will bring the Greetings of the Diocese to the local congregation. The choir will sing a special anthem and a message of Salutation will be read from the Dean of St. David's Cathedral in Wales, England—the Mother Church.

Feeding Hills Congregational Church

Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Pastor

Friday—7:30 p.m., Bible Study Class in the Spear Room. Mr. Louis DePalma to conduct class. All welcome to attend.

Saturday—9:30 a.m., Junior choir rehearse at church; 10:30 a.m., Cherub choir rehearse at church.

Sunday—9:30 a.m., First Morning Service. Sunday School classes will be in session. 11 a.m., Second Morning Service. Nursery and Kindergarten classes will meet; 5:30 p.m., Junior Pilgrim Fellowship meet; 7 p.m., Senior Pilgrim Fellowship meet.

Wednesday—7 p.m., Senior choir rehearse at church.

Special Meetings

The Board of Deacons and Deaconesses will meet in the Spear Room at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 5.

The Church Council meeting will be held at 8 p.m., on Monday, March 5, in the Spear Room.

The Band Group will be using Griswold Hall on Saturday, March 3.

Lay Memorial Methodist Church

Rev. Francis J. Ducharme, Pastor

Thursday—7:30 p.m., Men's Club meeting; 7:30 p.m., Basketball.

Friday—3 p.m., Junior choir practice; 6:15 p.m., Bowling team, West Side Alleys.

Saturday—9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Men's Store.

Sunday—9:30 a.m., Church School and Adult Bible class; 11 a.m., Worship. Sermon, "Authority." 6:30 p.m., Senior MYF meet; 7:30 p.m., Adult Bible class at Parsonage.

Monday—3 p.m., Junior-Hi MYF meet; 7:30 p.m., WSCS meet.

Wednesday—7 p.m., Senior choir practice; 7 p.m., Webelos.

Round The Town



By ANN NAEI

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Miller of 307 Main St., Agawam, are enjoying a week vacation in Washington, D. C., visiting Mrs. Miller's relatives. The Millers also visited Mr. Miller's brother in New Jersey.

Robert Schubach, owner of Schubach's Donut Company at 1782 Main St., Agawam, has returned home from the Mercy Hospital, where he received minor surgery. Mr. Schubach expects to be back to work within the next two weeks.

LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

by Virginia Catchepaugh

National News

"It was a long day and a very interesting one." Astronaut John H. Glenn, Jr.

Unit News

A brief business meeting was held by the Unit on Monday, February 19th. Mrs. Jane Whalen gave her report on the covered dish supper and placed the Unit's share of the profit in the General Fund. Three more members sent in their dues. Only a few more to go to reach quota. It was reported that Mr. Charles Tyler is in the Holyoke Soldiers' Home being treated for a heart condition.

Following the regular meeting, County Junior Chairman Mrs. Anna Bissonnette presented a variety of spring hats and other seasonal articles for sale.

Among those to brave the storm were the following invited guests: all Junior Chairmen of their Units: Mrs. Ellen Lomascolo—Unit #207, West Springfield; Mrs. Margaret O'Brien—Unit #275, Chicopee

Announce Engagement



(Loring Photo)

RENEE ODETTE

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Benjamin of Walnut Street, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Renee, to John Alfred Jury, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Jury, Sr., of Alfred Street. A Thanksgiving Day wedding is planned.

Miss Benjamin, a graduate of Agawam High School, is employed as assistant secretary to the Superintendent of Schools in Agawam.

Her fiancé, also a graduate of Agawam High School, is employed by the Kaman Aircraft Corporation, Hartford, Conn., and is currently attending the evening division of Western New England College.

Elderly Cannot Afford Medical Care

By Congressman Thomas P. O'Neil, Jr., (D-Mass.)

Among the most pressing problems of the elderly is their growing inability to afford medical care when they need it most.

The voices of these nearly 17,000,000 Americans are not going unheard against the tidal wave of literature which the opposition has been using in its all-out fight against health care for the aged through Social Security.

Countless thousands of the elderly have written to the President explaining their personal experiences when they have been faced with a long siege of illness.

The following letter President Kennedy received recently, similar to numerous others, clearly indicates the problem that the majority

of the elderly will be confronted with unless the President's Health Insurance Plan is enacted. The letter was from a 68-year woman whose husband had just died after a long stay in a hospital:

"Dear President Kennedy: "Due to the excessive cost, we had no hospitalization insurance. We are thrifty persons who never have received welfare aid. However, those hospital expenses have drained away our life's savings and I am now forced to sell our modest home.

"I am all alone now with no one to care for me. What will happen if I become ill and must be taken to the hospital.

"I am just one very lonely widow. I am just a voice crying in the wilderness, but please, Mr. President, enact legislation that would reduce hospital costs without delay."

The Buffalo widow's letter was answered. But meeting her request was not nearly so easy. President Kennedy has sponsored such legislation as she described, but he cannot "enact" it. That is up to Congress.

It is very apparent to all reasonable persons that President Kennedy's program of self-financed, pre-paid health insurance, linked to Social Security is vitally needed to cover the high cost of ill health when it occurs among the elderly. Statistics alone cannot measure the anxiety and suffering of elderly people who are confronted by the near certainty of impending and excessive illness.

Whist Parties are held each Wednesday and Saturday night at 8:00 P.M. at the YWCA on Howard Street, Springfield. High and low score prizes and door prizes will be awarded.

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H C I L Creative Rug Craft Contest

Kay Flemer, Director of the Home Department, Eastern States Exposition, announces that the 1962 Creative Craft Contest will be for handmade rugs of all types. The winning entries of this contest will be displayed in the Auditorium of the Hampden County Improvement League Building during the 1962 Exposition, held September 15th through the 23rd. The Rug Contest has always been very popular and rugmakers who have seen the display of winning entries will surely want to complete their current projects in time to enter.

Entry blanks will be available after April 1st. Those desiring to enter this contest should send their request for entry blanks to the Home Department, Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield, Mass.

Welcome Tiny Newcomers



BOYS

February 2—To Mr. and Mrs. George W. Bergeron, 49 North St., Agawam.

REDUCE YOUR TAXES

By Congressman A. Sydney Herlong, Jr., Florida

Neither you nor any patriotic American would want tax rates reduced if it would deprive your government of funds needed for defense or essential purposes.

But there is a way to reduce your tax rates without cutting off, or limiting funds for military and other needed programs, or throwing the budget out of balance, a way that is sound and realistic.

It will provide relief for you, no matter which tax bracket you are in.

It will moderate both individual and corporate tax rates gradually over a five-year period.

It will defer taxes for you, as an individual, on long-term capital gains until such times as you sell your holdings, receive a cash profit and do not reinvest the proceeds.

It will reduce the rate of tax on your estate and on your gifts.

It will make it easier for your business to replace worn-out and obsolete equipment.

It will work this way:

1. The first bracket of personal tax rates will be reduced from 20 to 15 percent and the top rate brought down to 47 per cent from 91 percent, in five easy stages corresponding reductions in all interim rates.

2. The top corporate rate of 52 per cent will be reduced to 47 per cent, also in five stages. Setting the top rates of individual and corporate tax at the same level right-fully puts the owners of unincorporated businesses—which account for 85 per cent of all business—and members of professions on an extra even tax keel with corporations as opposed to the higher rates they now pay.

3. Estate tax rates will be reduced from a top of 77 per cent to

47 per cent and the top rate of gift tax from 57.75 per cent to 35.25 per cent. All lower rates of both taxes will be reduced in proportion. This comprises another important easement of the impact of capital taxation.

4. There will be a reduction of approximately 25 per cent, over the five-year period, in the time during which business will be allowed to charge off the cost of plants and equipment before figuring their taxable profit.

This will give you, and everyone, at least a 25 per cent cut in taxes. It will do this without shifting tax burdens from one set of taxpayers to another. Almost 60 per cent of the total savings in individual taxes will go to those in the taxable brackets up to \$6,000.

The proposed cuts in tax rates, over the five-year period, will not result in red-ink spending by the government. Skated reduction will be postponed when there is danger that the federal budget will be thrown out of balance.

The needed legislation to accomplish all of this is already drawn and in the hands of the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives, in the form of identical bills, H.R. 2030 and H.R. 2031, introduced by Representative Howard H. Baker, Republican of Tennessee, and me.

Known as the Herlong-Baker bills, this proposed legislation has received expressions of commendation and support from members of Congress, editorial writers, columnists, business groups and other organizations, etc., across the country. The most constant theme of these expressions has been the practical, commonsense nature of

Veteran's Administration

The habit of "riding the 31-day grace period" has caused the lapse of valuable GI insurance policies of hundreds of Massachusetts veterans in recent months, William F. Connors, manager of the Veterans Administration regional office, Boston, said yesterday.

Too many veterans on "grace period" time are forgetting their final deadlines, thus lapsing their policies at a time when their dependents need insurance protection most. Connors advised all veterans to avoid this pitfall by making up that monthly payment they are running behind, if they have been making payments each time during the grace period.

Two other bits of advice to GI policy holders were given at the same time by Connors.

1. Pay premiums annually, semi-annually or quarterly instead of monthly, and save time and money in mailing, plus a small reduction in premiums.

2. Do not send cash through the mail to pay your premium. If it is lost in transit, it is your loss. Always use checks or money orders. This not only assures the safety of your money, it also provides a receipt in the cancelled check or money order stub.

Any VA contact office can provide information as to the cost of premium payments on an annual, semi-annual or quarterly basis.

the legislation.

I KNOW THAT THIS LEGISLATION IS NOT ONLY PRACTICAL AND FEASIBLE BUT THAT IT IS URGENTLY NEEDED. IT WILL BE PASSED IF YOU WANT IT PASSED, AND IF, WITHOUT DELAY, YOU TELL YOUR CONGRESSMAN AND SENATORS THAT YOU WANT IT PASSED. IT IS AS SIMPLE AS THAT.

Are We Going To Take Our Place In World Trade?

By Carleton I. Pickett, Executive Secretary Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation, Inc.

F.A.C.T.S., the Farmers agricultural Co-operative Trading Society affiliate of Farm Bureau is the result of two years of discussion and planning. It is sure to play a part in the future marketing of farmers products at home. More important to the immediate expansion of markets may be the part it can play in export trade which involves the distributor and only benefits the farmers by indirection. However, every pound of finished farm product that expands consumption relieves the surplus supply condition.

The Farm Bureau believes that there is danger in over-reliance on government export and use of P.L. 480 to displace private sales abroad. (P.L. 480 permits sales of Agricultural products by Government to foreign nations for foreign currency—soft money or as some farmers called it "Mickey mouse money"). This has led to irritations amongst our friends in other nations (e.g. Canada) when we dump in markets where they desire to compete thru private sales.

Our planners, some of them, are even now suggesting we should continue to produce surpluses for such P.L. 480 export.

It is more to the point that farmers thru their own organizations learn what can be used by foreign markets, in what quantities, at what prices, and what quality and packaging.

Farmers must achieve competitive pricing in world markets.

To do that we must take a long hard look at all of the restrictions on exports import trade, put the search light on them, and insist that Congress reappraise not only

the reciprocal trade agreement but the ship cargo preference laws, the U. S. Customs procedures, and the right of interested parties to intervene before the Tariff Commission.

MARCH

March 1 — Nebraska entered Union, 1867.

March 2 — Texas Independence Day.

March 3, 1931—"The Star Spangled Banner" was designated by Act of Congress and approved by President Hoover to be "the national anthem of the United States of America."

March 5—The Boston Massacre, 1770.

March 6—Shrove Tuesday.

March 7—Lent begins—Ash Wednesday.



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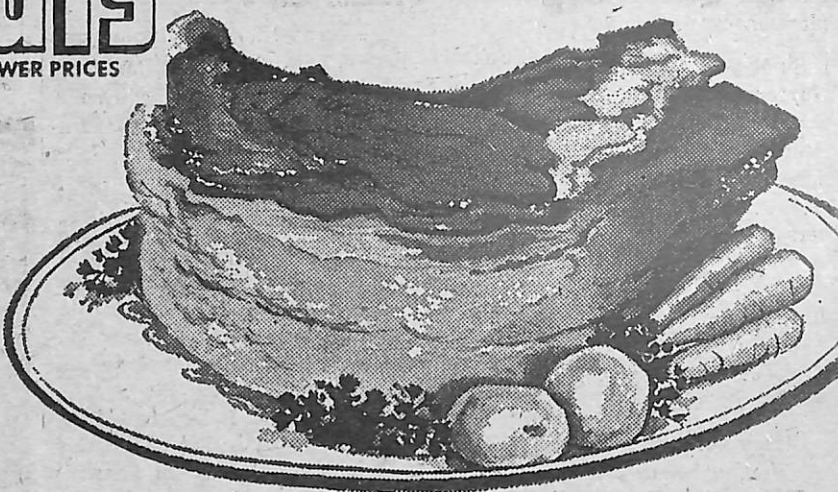
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THE AGAWAM WATER COMPANY



By EDITH LaFRANCIS

In 1915, Mrs. Grace Goodhue Huntington sold the Agawam Water Company which was established in 1877, to Charles W. Hull. This included 28 acres of land between Rowley Street and Suffield Street where the source of water was located, also all rights to construct and maintain dams, to construct and repair pipes, to enter upon land for such construction and repair, and all rights to springs, pipes and reservoirs.

Charles Hull kept this for about two years and sold it to Preston Worden. Even though pipes had been laid and connected to the Springfield water system, many people in Agawam Center continued to use the old supply and did not connect with the new at once.

At the end of four years Mr. Worden sold the "5 acre lot", on which the best of the springs were located, to the Strathmore Paper Company. The quality of the water had been found especially good for paper making. He also sold to the Company a quarter of an acre of the original Leonard land on Springfield Street hill. The Strathmore Company built a pumping station there, between the road and the parking lot, which is still in use. The remainder of the land was sold to Longo and Buoniconti of Rowley Street.

Mr. Worden kept one spring for his own use. It lay shaded by trees in a natural bowl north of the 5 acre lot and supplied the Worden houses at the corner of Springfield and Suffield Streets. When these houses finally connected to the new system, the old pipe was turned into the brook which flowed under Springfield Street into the river. Good drinking water was available from this pipe winter and summer and children had the habit of stopping there on their way home from school.

A prospective buyer, testing the 50 acre meadow land, broke the pipe. Thus ends the story of the Agawam Water Company. The springs, of course, do not know this! The ones not used by the paper company continue to gurgle cheerfully from the earth and soak into the shopping center.

Waste Collection

FEEDING HILLS CENTER

MONDAY, March 5—Alexander Ave., Adams, Barry, Belmont Ave., Bristol Dr., Carol Ave., Cosgrove, Churchill Ave., Giffin Pl., Hamilton Dr., Henry, Highland, Kensington, North St. Ext., North Westfield, North West, New York Ave., Norris, Overlook Dr., Oxford, Parkview Dr., Pine, Rhodes Ave., Ridge Ave., Roosevelt Ave., South Westfield, Shoemaker Lane, South, Southwick, South West, Sunset Ter., Thalia Dr., and William St.

AGAWAM CENTER

WEDNESDAY, March 7—Albert, Alfred, Alfred Cir., Alfred Ct., Alhambra Cir., Autumn, Bailey, Barden, Barney, Campbell Dr., Central, Channel Dr., Charles, Clark, Clif-

ton Dr., Congress, Corey, Cross, Dartmouth, Deering, Dover, Dyotte, Editha Ave., Edward, Elbert Rd., Ellison Ave., Emerson Rd., Florida Dr., Forest Rd., Frank, Greenwood, Grove, Haskell, Henshaw Ave., Hunt, James Ave., Joseph, Kirkland, Kanawha Ave., Laura Cir., Leonard, Liberty Ave., Lawnwood, Main, Maple Ave., Meadow Ave., Meadowbrook Rd., Melrose Pl., Merrell Dr., Monroe, Morgan, North, Florida Dr., Pomeroy, River Rd., Riverside Ave., Riverview Ave., Ruskin Ave., Ruth Ave., School, Seymour Ave., Sibley, Simpson Cir., South Florida Dr., Southbridge Dr., Sterling Rd., Sunnyslope Ave., Veranda Ave., Warren, Western Dr., Willard Ave., Woodcliff Ave., Wright and Wyman Ave.

The Pulpit

Rev. Benjamin T. Lockhart, Pastor of First Baptist Church

The Lenten Season calls us to a degree of selflessness which is not so apparent at other times of the year. The reason for this is that our attention is focused on the most selfless person who ever lived whose reason for being was to do the Will of God. This issued forth in His observation that "He came not to be ministered unto but to minister".

In an age of "grasping" and "getting" such words of Jesus cut deep into our selfishness. Too many of us like to be ministered unto. We like the attention that comes from one who waits upon us. We shy away often from being participants in the area of service because it calls for greater responsibility and more maturity. One of the crying needs of our time is a greater sense of commitment. We have run the gamut of the hand out and the "Whats in it for me" attitude. The scandal of corruption in our midst is the logical conclusion of such disregard of the moral laws of life. Beyond the importance of making a living is the much more important fact of making a life. "What profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul".

The quality of character that is found in men like Lieutenant Colonel John Glenn and his associates certainly represents a standard of living that is in keeping with the idea of commitment. Good character comes about by being involved on the side of that which is right and true. Whatever your church or religious body, it is a pretty established fact that you will be a better member and a better person if you commit yourself more fully to its teachings.

These days in Lent should call forth in us a desire for greater participation in study, in meditation, in service to that for which Christ gave His Life. This concept of ministering unto others was forcibly demonstrated at the time of the Lord's Supper when the Master with towel and basin demonstrated His selflessness in the simple act of washing His disciples' feet. When you have a tendency to magnify your own self-importance and selfish desire that you be served bring up into the level of your consciousness this figure on bended knee performing this act of love.

As the Lenten Season stretches out for you seize as many opportunities as you are able to minister rather than to be ministered unto. This town of which we are a part will take on a new look if we do.



March 5

through

March 9

SENIOR HIGH

Monday—Meat Ball Grinders, Garden Salad, Peanut Butter and Honey Sandwiches, Peaches, Milk.

Tuesday—Roast Turkey in Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce, Bread and Butter, Candy Bar, Milk.

Wednesday—Juice, Pizza with Tomato Sauce and Cheese, Celery and Carrot Sticks, Peanut Butter and Honey Sandwiches, Raisin Cookies, Milk.

Thursday—Grilled Frankfurt, Mashed Potatoes, Sauerkraut, Rye Bread and Butter, Deep Dish Apple Pie, Milk.

Friday—Juice, Macaroni and Cheese, Cabbage Salad, Dinner Roll, Strawberry Shortcake with Whipped Cream, Milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday—Steamed Frankfurt, Baked Potatoes, Sauerkraut, Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Chocolate Cake, Milk.

Tuesday—Pork and Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Raisin Rice Pudding with Topping, Broccoli, Bread and Butter, Milk.

Wednesday—Juice, Baked Macaroni with Cheese, Tossed Salad, Strawberry Short Cake, Bread and Butter, Milk.

Thursday—Juice, Hamburg on Roll, Green Beans, Jelly Sandwiches, Peanut Butter Cookies, Fruit Cup, Milk.

Friday—Tomato Soup, Tuna Fish Salad Sandwiches, French Fries, Tossed Salad, Cake, Milk.

DANAHY

Monday—Barbecued Pork on Buttered Roll, Spiced Apple Slices, Buttered Spinach, Sliced Peaches, Milk.

Tuesday—Pineapple Juice, Turkey Pie with Vegetables, Biscuit Topping, Celery and Ripe Olives, Cranberry Sauce, Sliced Apricots, Milk.

Wednesday—Tomato Vegetable Soup, Egg Salad Sandwiches, Peanut Butter and Jam Sandwiches, Celery and Carrot Sticks, Raisin Cake, Milk.

Thursday—Tomato Juice, Mashed Potato, Hamburg Gravy, Buttered Broccoli, Raspberry Jello with Whipped Topping, Bread and Butter, Milk.

Friday—Macaroni and Cheese and Tomatoes, Tuna Fish Salad Sandwiches, Cole Slaw, Fruit Cup, Milk.

GRANGER

Monday—Juice, Grilled Frankfurt on Buttered Bun, Potato Chips, Relish and Mustard, Buttered Peas, Sliced Peaches, Milk.

Tuesday—Pork and Gravy, Mashed Potato, Sauerkraut, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Spiced Apple Slices, Milk.

Wednesday—Fish Cakes (Cat-sup), Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Jelly Sandwich, Fruited Jello with Whipped Cream, Milk.

Thursday—Juice, Hamburg Patty, Mashed Potato, Buttered Carrots, Frosted Chocolate Cake, Milk.

Friday—Juice, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Stewed Tomatoes, Wax Beans, Chewy Peanut Butter Bars, Milk.

PEIRCE

Monday—Citrus Fruit Juice, Baked Beans with Frankfurts, Buttered Beets, Buttered French Bread, Apricots, Milk.

Tuesday—Baked Meat Loaf, Buttered Parsley Potatoes, Peas and Carrots, Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich, Fruited Jello with Whipped Topping, Milk.

Wednesday—Spaghetti with Tomato and Cheese Sauce, Buttered Wax Beans, Carrot Sticks, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Fruit cup, Milk.

Thursday—Turkey Pie with Whipped Potato Topping, Buttered Spinach, Celery Sticks, Bread and Butter, Ginger Bread with Whipped Cream, Milk.

Friday—Cup of Tomato, Rice Soup, Grilled Cheese or Tuna Salad Sandwich, Carrot and Celery Sticks, Chocolate Peanut Butter Cookies, Milk.

PHELPS

Monday—Grilled Frankfurt, Creamed Parsley Potato, Sauerkraut, Bread and Butter and Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Applesauce, Milk.

Tuesday—Citrus Juice, Grilled Hamburg on Buttered Bun, Relish and Onion Slices, Buttered Green Beans, Banana, Milk.

Wednesday—Tomato Soup, Tuna Salad Sandwich, Carrot Sticks, Orange Wedges, Peanut Butter Cookies, Milk.

Thursday—Pork and Gravy on Mashed Potato, Buttered Cabbage, Bread and Butter, Fruited Jello with Topping, Milk.

Friday—Citrus Juice, Baked Macaroni and Cheese, Tossed Green Salad, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Peach Shortcake with Topping, Milk.

ROBINSON

Monday—Spaghetti with Meat and Tomato Sauce, Buttered Green Beans, Cheese Wedge, Bread and Butter, Applesauce, Milk.

Tuesday—Orange and Pineapple Juice, Frankfurt on Roll, Relish and Mustard, Sauerkraut, Potato Chips, Cherry Crisp, Milk.

Wednesday—Tomato Soup, Tuna Fish Salad Sandwiches and Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Celery and Carrot Sticks, Fruit, Milk.

Thursday—Hamburg Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Spinach, Bread and Butter, Sliced Peaches, Milk.

Friday—Juice, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Tossed Salad, Potato Chips, Graham Crackers with Peanut Butter, Cake, Milk.

SOUTH

Monday—Juice, Homemade Beef Vegetable Stew, Peanut Butter and Honey on Rye Bread, Sliced Peaches, Milk.

Tuesday—Open Turkey Sandwich with Gravy, Raisin Glazed Carrots, Cranberry Relish, Pumpkin Squares, Milk.

Wednesday—Tomato and Cheese Sauce on Buttered Noodles, A.B.C. Salad, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Cherry Cake with Topping, Milk.

Thursday—Steamed Frankfurts, Scalloped Potatoes, Stewed Sauerkraut, Bread and Butter with Jelly, Apple Cake, Milk.

Friday—Citrus Juice, Cream of Tomato Soup, Egg Salad Roll, Buttered Green Peas, Deep Dish French Apple Squares, Milk.

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Fashion Show — (Continued From Page 1)

be held Tuesday night at 8 in the Parish hall of the Agawam Congregational Church.

The event will show 48 spring and special outfits in seasonal settings. The fashion show will set the stage for fashions with a flair and will be of special interest to the family of moderate means. Mrs. Victor Shibley and Mrs. Victor Ruby are co-chairman of the affair. Mrs. Bernard LeDuc will be piano accompanist and Mrs. William J. Miller will moderate.

Modeling will be Mrs. Richard James, Mrs. Bruno Maule, Mrs. Robert Kiley, Mrs. Raymond Stone, Mrs. John Tate, Mrs. Henry Lawson, Mrs. Robert Hall, Mrs. Leonard Johnson, III, Mrs. Albert Sullivan and Miss Barbara Jean Bellano. Children's fashions will be modeled by Misses Vicki and Holly Shibley, Jean and Joan Breveglieri and Masters Thomas Fenton and Richard Carbone.

Entertainment during the evening will feature the vocal group from Western Massachusetts Electric Co.

Highlight of the door prizes will be a "night out on the town" with corsage, dinner and theater tickets for two. Table prizes for card games and playing cards will be on each table.

The public is invited to attend, and tickets may be purchased from any club member, or Mrs. Arthur Ryan, 84 Meadowbrook Rd., and will be available the night of the event.

Peabody's (Continued From Page 1)

bility in government, and this carnival of buck-passing irresponsibility will be ended at last.

"The Committee is to be commended for taking this position and constructive approach to the problems of our Commonwealth. I am happy that this year the Legislature itself will be able to vote on the bill. In the past years it has been buried in committee, with no opportunity for all the members of the General Court to express their vote."

Peabody pointed out that his Bill differs from Constitutional Convention bills of past years in that "it is limited to proposals to update the mechanics of government and in no way can deal with civil rights, the judiciary, or other basic provisions."

"There is ample legal precedent," said Peabody, "for a limited constitutional convention in Massachusetts. Many years ago our Court decided that a Constitutional Convention must limit its consideration to those matters specified in the call of the Convention, and to those matters only."

"All serious students of government agree that certain changes are necessary," continued Peabody. "I refer to changes in the term of the Governor, the abolition of the Governor's Council, the Lieutenant-Governor being of the same Party as the Governor, the length of the legislative session and the like."

must have worked in employment covered under social security for 5 years in a 10-year period ending when they were disabled. Mr. Murphy added that your social security office has a pamphlet fully explaining these requirements, which is free for the asking. It is pamphlet Number 29 entitled "If You Become Disabled."

At the present time over 50 million people have worked long enough in employment covered by social security to qualify for cash disability benefits if they become disabled.

Before November 1960, disabled workers and their dependents could receive these disability payments only if the worker was 50 years of age or older. However, recent changes in the law provide for payments to workers and their dependents regardless of age if they are otherwise entitled. Mr. Murphy indicated that the program paid cash

Cathedral Ceremony Will Be Held March 3



JOAN C. JOHNSON

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Johnson of Hall Street, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Joan C., to Ronald F. Vandall, son of Mrs. Eva Vandall of Round Hill, Springfield. The wedding will take place on Saturday, March 3, at 11 in St. Michael's Cathedral.

Miss Johnson is a graduate of Agawam High School and is employed in the office of Youth Center. Her fiancé attended Springfield Trade School.

disability payments to over 200,000 persons under age 50 in the six months after these amendments became effective. These payments amounted to over 12 million dollars monthly in cash benefits. Disabled children over age 18 of retired, deceased, or disabled workers may also receive cash disability benefits if their disabilities began before age 18. More than 119,000 such disabled adult sons and daughters who became disabled prior to age 18 are receiving a total of over 5 million dollars each month, Mr. Murphy added.

The risk of disability was the last to be covered under the social security system. Each legislative year since 1954, when disability coverage was enacted, amendments have broadened coverage and provided additional benefits to disabled workers and their dependents. The 1961 amendments to the social security law extended the time for filing for disability benefits to June 30, 1962. Workers with long

Glee Club To

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large number of students. Faculty members who are contributing their efforts are: Miss Judith St. Jean, dramatic director; Miss Geraldine Schilling, scenery and painting; Mr. Henry Baker, set construction; Mrs. Helen Krajewski and Mrs. Florence Hallbourg on costumes and wardrobe; Mr. Roland Pressey on stage facilities and audio-visual aids group who will handle the backstage duties.

Sets for this production were designed by Debbie Robinson.

A large chorus and dance group has been assembled. Working with the dance groups will be:

Arlene Ayers and Joanne Cimaroli directing and devising the dances for the large production numbers; Patricia Sullivan in the small group specialty numbers and Darleen Potts on stage chorus choreography.

Dancers under the direction of Arlene Ayers and Joan Cimaroli are: Regina Gabrowski, Valerie Falbo, Mickey Blair, Gail Cote, Bonnie Baird, Martha Kusiak, Joanne Rossi, Valerie Lockhart, Susan Bourbonnais, Janice Rebecchi, Lenora Pupello, Susan Colli, Jean Daubitz, Norma Raimondi, Susan Ruckstuhl and Joyce Sarat. Alternates for this group are: Susan Hall, Carol St. John, Sandra Wein and Linnea Morris.

Specialty dancers under the direction of Patricia Sullivan are: Arlene Ayers, Joanne Cimaroli, Regina Gabrowski, Valerie Falbo and Darleen Potts.

standing disabilities may lose all or some of their rights to these benefits if they do not apply for them before June 30, 1962.

Mr. Murphy urged all disabled workers to contact the social security office, especially those who have been disabled for more than one year, to avoid the loss of payments which may be due. The social security office for this area is located at 1200 Main St. in Springfield, Mass.

4-H Club Six Stitchers

The Six Stitchers 4-H Club has taken a recess from their sewing course to spend a few weeks in cooking instruction. Mrs. Eva Shaer is the club leader. They have completed three weeks of cooking instruction. The first week was spent in organization and study of literature from Hampden County Improvement League. Making of biscuits was the first cooking project and the second the making of salad.

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Director of the Nursing Education Department; and Miss Constance A. Kurkul, Assistant Director of the School of Nursing.

Harry C. F. Gifford, Executive Director of the hospital, presided during the capping exercises, and the address to the students was delivered by Rev. Carl M. Sharpe, Protestant hospital chaplain for the Council of Churches of Greater Springfield. Mr. Sharpe also gave the invocation and the benediction.

The welcome to the class of 1964 was given by Miss Sally Stathis, senior class president, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stathis of 19 Davis St., Holyoke. A sister, Miss Andrea J. Stathis, is a member of the freshman class. Freshmen who were capped from this area are:

WESTFIELD: Anna I. Chistolini, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Chistolini of 255 East Mountain Rd.; Deborah J. Hammond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hammond of 7 Donald Dr.; Christine R. Kaminski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Kaminski of 130 Meadow St.

AGAWAM: Donna R. Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis of 63 Cleveland St.; Claudia H. Guidetti, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Guidetti of 201 Leonard St.; Pamela A. Montagna, daughter of Mrs. Rose Montagna of 196 Walnut St.; Christine T. Sullivan, daughter of Mrs. Eva Sullivan of 253 Leonard St.

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Disability beneficiaries reach one million.

Over one million persons—disabled workers and their dependents—are receiving nearly 68 million dollars each month under the social security disability insurance program. Daniel J. Murphy, Jr., Manager of the Springfield, Mass., Social Security Office, explained these payments go to those who suffer from a crippling disease or severe disability which makes them unable to work. Only long lasting and severe disabilities which make a person unable to engage in any substantial gainful employment are covered. In addition to meeting the disability requirements a person



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SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By Bill Chiba

The official deer kill for New Hampshire for 1961 was 7,798, which is 214 more than were taken during the 1960 season.

A total of 4,140 bucks and 3,635 does were taken. Twenty-three of the coupons received from hunters were unclassified because of illegibility or incompleteness. The sex ration (legal kill) was 53.25% bucks to 46.75% does. Nonresidents killed 1,706 deer, residents 5,841, and resident minors 228.

Coos was again the county with the highest kill—2,203 deer. Pittsburg was the town with the highest kill, with 252 deer taken. The town with the highest kill per square mile was Dummer—3.80.

In addition to the legal kill by hunters, 530 deer were killed in other ways—348 by cars, 61 by dogs, etc.

Twelve deer were reported taken by bow and arrow; nine by resident hunters and three by nonresident archers.

No Salt Water License

"Despite all published reports or statements to the contrary, the proposed marine resources program (senate 1) contains no provision for a salt water sportfishing license," it was categorically stated today by Charles H. W. Foster, State Commissioner of Natural Resources and Chairman of the Governor's Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission.

The Commissioner referred to Section 3 of the proposed act which would lodge general administrative control over the marine fish and fisheries of the Commonwealth in the director of marine fisheries, subject to the approval of a Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission and the further approval of the Commissioner and Board of Natural Resources.

"Although the director will be permitted to bring about changes in fees for existing licenses, subject to proper checks and balances," Foster declared, "he cannot institute a new license of any sort, commercial or sport, without ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC legislative authority."

Why Teach Health In Schools?

Youngsters in school do not always agree with the occasional critics of health education. One complaining parent said, "I don't want my child to be frightened by talk about cancer and tuberculosis and rheumatism. It's bad enough that every Saturday she has to visit her grandmother who is bed-ridden, without hearing about sickness in school."

Another thought it unnecessary. He said, "Schools should be concerned with language, mathematics, history, and science. Everything else is a waste of the taxpayers' money."

What is the student side of the story?

Here are parts of compositions written by high school seniors who

The Plight Of A

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the modest ice marshall. "I have always been fortunate enough to play with a championship club and collect that play-off check," opined the brilliant center.

Life in the minors is not quite as plush as the big time. In the minors you travel by bus and train. In the NHL you travel first class, there are no 550 mile bus rides to a city where you have to play as soon as you get off the bus; the pay is quite a bit different also, so Sweeney is being deprived of quite a bit yet he bears no grudges.

In the off season Billy and his beautiful wife Angie and their two daughters, Linda 4 years and Lori 16 months, pictured above, retire to their Guelph, Ontario home to spend the summer months. He is quite a golfer and was just recently given his amateur card back after serving as a pro for two years. "I love golf and may have been able to make a go of it as a pro, but hockey was always my first love," related Sweeney. Last summer he won the professional hockey players tournament in Toronto with a 78. The course record is 74.

"Weiner" as his team mates call him has made a host of friends here in Springfield and is very happy in his present locale. However, he knows that he belongs up there with the big guys and would relish another chance to make good. Billy has something that no major league contract can offer him, and that is his wonderful family. So, even if he never gets another shot at the big top, he can still be justly proud of his minor league career. After all, he has always played on championship clubs and it is a pretty darned good feeling to go home to that wonderful family every day after practice.

are glad that health education was a part of their training.

"When my brother caught tuberculosis, the nurse wanted to test all of us. My parents were afraid to let her. They didn't understand why this had to be done. I knew it from school and I translated the leaflet I got in school for them, so it was all right."

"I brought home a pamphlet about cancer. At first my mother was angry. She had a lump she was worried about and trying to forget. She even told me that if I hadn't brought it home, the lump would have gone away by itself. But now she is thankful. It turned out not be cancer, but at least she doesn't have to worry about it in secret any more."

"I am perfectly healthy but I am glad for health education for two reasons. I feel more secure in knowing that the way my family lives is right and will help keep us healthy. For another reason, I know how much I have to be thankful for. It makes me feel good to be able to contribute to improving the health of people less fortunate."

Five Attain 100 Per Cent In NOMA Tests

This is Agawam High School's second year of participation in Springfield Chapter of the National Office Managers Association Arithmetic Program. The objective of the NOMA program is to create a desire on the part of the students to strengthen their abilities in this area. The test, comprised of problems relating to business situations, must be 100% correct to qualify a student for a certificate.

Five students attained 100% scores on both tests and are, therefore, eligible for the NOMA arithmetic Proficiency Certificate: Donna Allard, Denise Bellefleur, Eileen Otto, DiAnn Palen and Karen Ratcliffe.

The following students attained 100% scores on the first or the second NOMA test and are, therefore, eligible for certificates: Virginia Burton, Beverly Couture, Patricia Drew, Roseann DiVirgilio, Marcella Fleming, Sandra Graziano, Aaron Karolinski, Sylvia Mercadante, Janice Pandolfi, JoAnn Rossi, Pamela Sandgren, Robert Sonsini, Norma Cirillo, David Delancey, Bonnie Dube, Cathy Ferrarini, Eugenie Lavalette, Karen Masi, Dolly Melanson, Peter Nassif, Pat Repinee and Andrea Pagliaro.

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FOURTH YEAR OF FORD MOTOR BUYERS DIGEST PUBLICATION

DEARBORN, Mich. — For the fourth consecutive year Ford Division of Ford Motor Company is publishing the "Buyer's Digest of New Car Facts."

Approximately three million copies of the 1962 edition will be distributed to auto owners throughout the U.S.A.

Pioneered by Ford in 1959, more

than six million copies of previous editions of the book, which is designed to help car buyers obtain complete information before making their purchasing decisions, have been distributed. In addition to specific information on new model cars, the book contains many informative general interest articles designed to help automobile owners get more economy, service, performance and pleasure from their car regardless of make.

Following are some of the articles and features contained in the 1962 edition of the Buyer's Digest:

- Is "Babying" Your Car Worth The Bother?
- 10 Ways To Save On Car Insurance.
- The Car Revolution Continues.
- How Many "Miles Per Dollar" Are You getting?

Also included are articles on automobile specifications, gasoline grades, station wagons, two-car families and complete reference material—including models and prices of Ford cars and accessories—that will be of interest and help to anyone considering the purchase of a new car.

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Five YMCA Hockey Teams have been participating in the Junior Amateur Hockey Program at the Exposition Park Coliseum and the league is drawing to a close with playoffs being scheduled for division leaders.

Zaven Vorperian, YMCA General Secretary, stated that plans are being made for the Annual YMCA Sports Banquet which will be held in late April.



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Children's Corner

THE FORGOTTEN DOLL

An Old Scot Tale

Rachael the rag-doll was very unhappy. She had been forgotten.

Brenda Fraser, to whom she belonged, had been in bed since seven o'clock and it was now at least ten o'clock. So there she lay in the grass under the apple tree. She felt cold and damp, but it was the loneliness that made her so unhappy.

Little girls are very hard to understand sometimes. One minute they will be loving and hugging and playing all kinds of mothering games. Then suddenly dolls, even favorite dolls, are quite forgotten.

Rachael had always been the favorite. Tears ran down her face as she thought of the cosy nights she had spent tucked with Brenda in bed. She wondered how long it would be before she was found.

As she lay trying to think what to do, she heard some strange sounds.

Thud! Thud! Thud!

Rachael was frightened. Then she felt something warm beside her.

"Hello!" said a laughing voice. "You do look cold and miserable! I'm a rabbit, and my name is Stanley."

"How do you do," replied Rachael in a small voice. "My name is Rachael. Please don't hurt me—I'm so unhappy."

"Unhappy on a lovely night like this," said Stanley. "Would you care to tell me your troubles? Perhaps I could help you."

So Rachael told Stanley Rabbit how she had been forgotten and left out all night. Stanley looked sad.

"I'm sorry I laughed when I first

saw you," he said.

"You're very kind," Rachael told him. "Oh, I wish you could help me!"

Stanley cleaned his face with his paws and twitched his nose thoughtfully.

"I'm not very clever myself," he said, "but I know who is the wisest person for miles around. That's Dusty Owl. If I could find him I'm



Stanley Rabbit thumped his foot hard.

sure he would know what to do. Let's be quiet and listen for his hoot."

All was quiet. It seemed as if a long time had passed. Then suddenly they heard the owl.

"Hoo-ooo. Twit-hoo-ooo-ooo!"

Dusty Owl flew down and settled on the garden fence. Stanley hopped over to him and Rachel heard them talking quietly.

"Don't worry," said Stanley, hopping back to Rachael. "Dusty Owl's thought of a plan."

With that, he thumped his foot hard. A few minutes later several of his friends appeared. They all gathered in a circle and began dancing around Rachael in the moonlight.

Soon the music had attracted Bingo, Brenda's fox terrier. He came bounding down the garden, yelping and barking and out for fun. He loved chasing rabbits.

"Off you go! Get out of my garden!" he barked noisily. "If I catch you, I'll eat you all up!"

Stanley and his friends knew this was all bluff. Bingo never caught any of them. All they wanted was for Bingo to make a lot of noise. And he was certainly doing

Colors To Fit Your Personality

Quality paints are available in an almost endless variety of colors. When selecting your wall paints, choose colors that will provide a flattering background for your personality and coloring. Don't always settle for the "safe" neutrals if they are not flattering. Don't be influenced by the current fashionable colors unless they are becoming to you.

It's easy—and fun—to choose your own special colors. The following categories list the colors that experts consider best for the certain types of coloring and personalities. Pick out your groups, and then choose a color scheme that attractively combines colors from each group.

RESERVED: Pale blues, beiges, grays, soft greens. Small amounts of black and white. Bright accents scattered here and there.

FEMININE AND RETIRING: Cool clear blues and greens. Pastels such as very pale pinks, grays, beiges, ivory and lavender.

AGGRESSIVE: Gold, warm colors such as orange, red, brilliant yellows. Generous amounts of electric blue and emerald green. Striking combinations of black and white.

REDHEADS: Brilliant colors, including yellow, green and blue. Warm browns, rust, violet and grayed hues.

BRUNETTES: Deep reds, lavenders, blue-greens, yellows. Orange and tobacco brown. Bright and deep greens.

BLONDES: Soft blues, pinks, lavenders, smoke gray. Soft browns and pastels of almost any variety. Dark and bright greens.

Here are some examples of color combinations to flatter individual personalities and colorings:

A FEMININE AND RETIRING BRUNETTE: Beige walls and ceiling, accented by generous amounts of blue green and simple touches of coral.

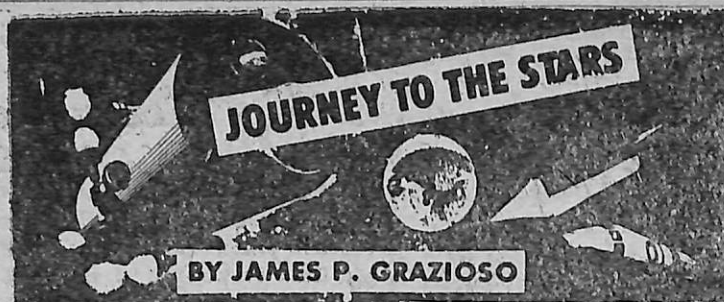
that!

Dusty Owl's own plan was really very clever! For when Brenda's father, Mr. Fraser, heard all the noise, he came down the garden to take Bingo indoors.

As the rabbits danced around, Bingo rushed after them. Mr. Fraser made a grab at the little dog's collar. At the same moment he touched something soft with his foot. Looking down, he saw Rachael.

Rachael's heart jumped for joy as Mr. Fraser picked her up and carried her indoors.

The End.



Astronomy is largely a study of the stars, the ultimate aim of the exploration of space is to journey to the stars; without stars there would be no universe, no life. Without the star of our life, the sun, we wouldn't be alive. Life on earth exists by grace of the sun; it is our source of light, of heat, of food, of fuel, of everything. When you look at the sun you are looking at the heartbeat of life. If the earth is the mother of life, the sun is the father, the provider.

The sun is a star, just an average star, it is made out of the same materials as the other stars. How it came about and when has been under considerable study for years. The most accepted theory is that the sun was formed by condensation of clouds of gas and dust, as was the earth and all the other members of our solar system, and this happened about four or five billion years ago.

The earth is insignificant in size when compared to the sun. The sun has many times more mass than all the planets, moons, etc. in our solar system combined. Hundreds of earths could be put into one sunspot of the sun, it is estimated that 1,300,000 earths could be packed into the sun. An idea of the immensity of the sun is seen when the planet Venus, which is about the same size as the earth, reaches a point directly between the earth and the sun. At this time, although Venus is almost seventy million miles closer to us than the sun, it appears as only a small dot against the background of the solar disc. The sun, which rotates once every 28 days, has a diameter of 860,000 miles!

To provide life for us, the sun pours out tremendous amounts of heat and light of which the earth catches about four pounds per second. That does not

sound like much yet if we had to pay for this heat and light, that we get for nothing, at the lowest prevailing rates of utility companies, the cost would be over one trillion dollars an hour.

We all know that the sun is awfully hot. At the surface the estimated heat is 11,000 degrees Fahrenheit and it gets much hotter below the surface being as high as 29,000,000 degrees at the center.

What makes this fire that creates all this power? Well, the secret of the sun's power lies in hydrogen and helium. It is by changing hydrogen into helium. Every time the sun converts four hydrogen atoms into one helium atom energy is created. You might think that the sun will eventually burn itself out. It will, but so efficient is our star that it uses only about one trillionth of its energy each year. At this rate the sun will be a going concern for billions of years.

Looking at the sun through special telescopes we can see fountains of glowing gas shooting hundreds of thousands of miles into space and we can see the mysterious, silvery halo of the corona. At times of total eclipse, it can be traced to several millions of miles beyond the sun.

The sunspots we see are caused by areas that are a little cooler than the rest of the sun and seem dark only by the comparison of the surrounding areas. By themselves the sunspots would give out a great deal of light and would be seen as very bright stars. Although cooler than the rest of the sun, they are very hot nevertheless, having temperatures of about 8,000 degrees.

If the sun changed in any way, however slight, it would be the end of life on earth. So the next time you look at the sun remember, the best thing in life, the sun, is free.

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TODAY ON BEACON HILL

(Special to the Agawam Independent)

TRAILERS—Hundreds of "trailer dwellers" marched on the legislative Committee on Taxation at a hearing to protest plans which would subject trailer homes to the same tax level as homes built on brick foundations. . . . The claim was made by opponents that the cost of living would run from \$48 to \$210 a year and the advocates said that the trailer people increase school and other costs and should help pay the freight.

QUABBIN—Republican Representative Walter T. Kostanski of Turners Falls won a sharp victory in the House when members sanctioned further consideration of his bill to have the Quabbin Reservoir area opened for public recreation. . . . The bill had been turned down by the Metropolitan Affairs Committee, but the western Massachusetts legislator said that a study should be made of use of the land because in other states water supplies are used for boating, fishing and bathing. . . . "There are acres of land going to waste", he said before the House voted to OK the study and refer to the Rules committee the plan for investigation he had asked.

DEGREES—Spokesmen for the larger colleges of the state raised strong objections to a proposal before the committee on Education which would require the state department of education to make periodic surveys to determine whether or not schools authorized to grant degrees are maintaining standards sufficient to comply with certification. It was claimed by proponents that parents of children entering diploma mills feel "shortchanged" while college administration people replied to survey the three medical schools in the state every five years would take a staff too great for the state to employ and if trouble is found legislation should be filed to revoke a charter.

TEACHERS—Local school authorities apparently have been violating the law by granting sabbatical leaves for instructors and administrative personnel to improve their lot, so, the Committee on Education has been asked to make it virtuous now for the school people to grant such leaves at half pay for educators provided that the teachers, supervisors and principals and superintendents agree to come back to the committee and teach for twice as long as the sab-

batical. . . . No one opposed the proposal.

POLICE—Protesting that to place full authority for operation of a police department in the hands of a Chief and deny control by elected officials would lead to crime and corruption, Rep. Lawrence P. Smith (D) of Lawrence won support in the House to defeat a proposal by Chiefs of Police to free them of political controls at city and town halls.

MOTORISTS—Stricter examination of motor vehicles during the semi annual equipment check-up has been advanced in the House. Not only will the inspectors see if the horn and lights and brakes all work but the wheels would be removed to be sure they are properly packed because a former legislator was nearly killed when a wheel flew off his new car. . . . Also the House has advanced a proposal to have safety belts approved by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles because only a percentage of those on the market meet standards proposed by safety personnel. House members also kept alive a bill for a uniform hand signal law among the states.

COURTS—Without debate the House killed a plan to have the courts and county corrections institutions taken over by the state.

A.B.C. Kindergarten Fall Registration

The ABC Community Kindergarten is now accepting registrations for its Fall term. The Kindergarten is conducted as a non-profit, non-sectarian operation, open to all residents of Agawam. By providing a sound kindergarten education at a very minimal fee, the ABC Community Kindergarten offers a service to the community.

Classes are held in Worthington Hall of the First Baptist Church, 760 Main Street, Agawam, with hours from 8:45 to 11:30 from Monday to Friday. A mid-morning snack is provided for each child.

Mrs. Catherine Foley returns as teacher with Mrs. Helen Lockhart as her assistant.

Mrs. Foley received her degree at the University of Maine, has done graduate work at the University of New Hampshire, New York University and Our Lady of Mercy

HOME TOWN FLEET NEWS

NORFOLK, Va. (FHTNC)—Robert E. Gravel, seaman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Gravel of 42 Norris St., Agawam, Mass., is serving aboard the dock landing ship USS Plymouth Rock, a unit of the Atlantic Fleet Amphibious Force, headquartered at Norfolk, Va., which celebrates its 20th anniversary on Feb. 20.

Organized on Feb. 20, 1942, the force led every major Allied Amphibious landing in North Africa and Europe during World War II. Today, nearly 17,000 men assigned to 58 ships and supporting units make up the force, which teams with the Atlantic Fleet Marine Force to provide a vital amphibious striking capability for the nation. Combat-ready units range the Atlantic, Indian, Arctic and Antarctic Oceans, as well as the Caribbean and Mediterranean Seas.

Vice Adm. Alfred G. Ward, commander of the Atlantic amphibians, sent a personal anniversary message to the men of his force praising their importance as a "vanguard in peace and spearhead in war".

College, and in addition has had a great deal of experience with children in public schools.

Dr. James Doering is the school pediatrician and will provide medical services for the Kindergarten.

The purpose of the kindergarten is to give the child guidance and sympathetic understanding during the period of adjustment from home to school life. Since this is his first school contact the child is helped to develop a readiness for systematic instruction which will prepare him for his entrance into first grade. He learns to be a well adjusted member of a larger social group thus laying the foundation for good school behavior.

The ABC Community Kindergarten offers a well rounded kindergarten program including such things as rhythms, handicrafts, reading readiness, easel painting, oral discussion, field trips and simple experiments to stimulate interest in science. These projects provide opportunities to arouse and satisfy curiosity, stimulate thinking, and widen the interest of the kindergarten child.

Those who wish to register for the 1962-63 term may contact Mrs. Darcy Davis or the Church Office for further information.

Scholarship And Loan Programs Available To Massachusetts Student Residents

By David Skolnick, Guidance Director, Agawam High School

National Foundation Health Scholarships

Awards based on scholastic achievement, personal qualifications, professional promise and financial need for students preparing for nursing, occupational therapy, physical therapy, medical social work and medicine. Four-year awards of \$500 a year for nursing, occupational therapy or physical therapy. Applicant must be a high school senior planning to enter a regionally accredited college or university as a full-time student in the fall of 1962, and eligible for a baccalaureate degree upon his professional program in nursing, occupational therapy or physical therapy. Secure forms for application after December 1 from the counseling office or National Foundation Health Scholarships, 800 Second Avenue, New York City 17, N. Y.

Note: (Medical Social work awards are for college sophomores and awards for medicine are for college undergraduates accepted in an approved school of medicine for study in the fall of 1962).

National Secretaries Association Springfield Chapter

An annual award of \$100 based on outstanding scholastic ability

and financial need granted to a Springfield area student planning to pursue post-high-school studies for a secretarial career. Applicants should apply by letter by April 1 to Miss Anne McCarthy, 533 Broadway, Chicopee Falls.

Philophotos Society of Springfield

An annual award of \$200 toward a college education for a boy or girl of Greek-American extraction. Apply to Mrs. Michael Pagos, 7 Winsor Street, Ludlow.

Regis Club of Greater Springfield

All applications for scholarship must be addressed to the Registrar, Regis College, Weston 93, Mass., and must be entered before February 15, 1962.

Smith College Club of Springfield

For one year or more. Apply directly to the Office of Scholarships and Student Aid, Smith College, Northampton, Mass., and notify the Chairman of the Scholarship Award Committee, Mrs. William E. Wiese, 95 Springfield Street, Wilbraham.

Springfield B'nai B'rith Student Loan

Loans to college students. Not more than \$100 to any applicant per year. Apply to Mr. Isadore Gelin, 1421 Main Street, Springfield, Mass.

Springfield College

Up to \$825 (full tuition) for the first year at Springfield College. Open, on a competitive basis, to boys and girls who are recommended as qualified and interested in the educational objectives of the college and are in need of financial assistance. Apply through College Scholarship Service before April 15. See the college catalog for information on other scholarships.

Springfield Industrial Association Scholarships

Two \$200 scholarships. Applicant must be son or daughter of an association member. Regular application blanks printed in the monthly bulletin, the Industrogram. Apply by March 1 to Mr. William H. Boyle, Springfield Y.M.C.A., 122 Chestnut Street. Include a transcript of grades.

Syrian Lebanese American Association, Inc.

\$200 maximum, the amount varying according to need. For students who are descendants of Arabic-speaking people, which includes all the countries in the Near East. Boys and girls may apply. Attorney Cosmo Ansara, 31 Elm Street, Springfield.

Lions Club Supper St. Patrick's Night

The Agawam Lions Club will present a Corned Beef Supper on Saturday, March 17th at the South Street Elementary School. Serving will be continuous from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. This supper will be prepared and served by the first string chefs of the convention committee.

Tickets will be available from Lions Club members or at the door.

Don't miss this chance to give the lady of the house an evening off and a good meal—with no dishes to wash. Bring the kids, too. They will love it!

Community Grange #382 Program For March

March 6—Conservation and Agricultural Night in charge of both committees.

March 13—Community Grange #382 to neighbor with Mt. Shattuck Grange #407 in Russell, Mass.

March 20—Skit Night—Leader, Elsie Bradway. Holyoke Grange #404 to neighbor with us.



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